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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition filed January 21, 2010, which is being treated as a petition under 37 CFR 3.81(b) to correct the name of the assignee on the front page of the above-identified patent by way of a certificate of correction.

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

Petitioner requests issuance of a certificate of correction in the name of "MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD., Osaka (JP).

37 CFR 3.81(b), effective June 25, 2004, reads:

After payment of the issue fee: Any request for issuance of an application in the name of the assignee submitted after the date of payment of the issue fee, and any request for a patent to be corrected to state the name of the assignee, must state that the assignment was submitted for recordation as set forth in § 3.11 **before issuance of the patent**, and must include a request for a certificate of correction under § 1.323 of this chapter (accompanied by the fee set forth in § 1.20(a) and the processing fee set forth in § 1.17(i) of this chapter [emphasis added]. *See also* MPEP 1481.01.

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office assignment records disclose that a change of name of the assignee from "MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD." to "PANASONIC CORPORATION" was recorded on November 18, 2008. The patent issued on April 21, 2009.

Therefore, the assignee's name at the time of issuance is "PANASONIC CORPORATION", which would be proper if requested.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision on petition should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3208.

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